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November 28, 2001

Federal Elections Commission  
Attn: Julie Perry  
Reports Analysis Division  
Washington, DC 20463

Re: United Association of Journeymen & Apprentices  
Plumbing & Pipefitting, Local 290  
Year End Report (11/28/00 - 12/31/00)  
C00331918

Dear Ms. Perry,

This letter is in response to your notice dated October 26, 2001, informing U.A. Local 290 that a contribution was made to a candidate for federal office that exceeded the limits set forth in Act. 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a).

Attached is a copy of the letter that was sent to the candidate on November 20, 2001, requesting a refund of the excess contribution in the amount of \$500.00.

U.A. Local 290 was not aware that an affiliated organization made a contribution to this candidate. U.A. Local 290 is currently taking steps to determine how these affiliated organizations can coordinate their information on political contributions to ensure that this doesn't occur in the future.

It is U.A. Local 290's intention to fully comply with the Federal Election Commission's regulations, and have taken steps to rectify the situation.

We respectfully request that you do not impose penalties. Please contact our office if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Timothy C. Schiller, C.P.A.



**UNITED ASSOCIATION**  
of Journeymen and Apprentices of the  
Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of  
the United States and Canada

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be confined to  
one subject

UA Local Union: 290

Subject: Request for Contribution Refund

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November 20, 2001

Ted Strickland for Congress  
PO Box 580  
Lucasville, OH 45848

To whom It May Concern:

We have been notified by the Federal Election Commission that the contribution made by the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry Local 290 Federal PAC on December 29, 2000 in the amount of \$500.00 exceeded the limit allowed under the law. Specifically the law states:

Act. 2 U.S. C. Section 441a(a) precludes a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making contributions to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5000.00 per election.

The Federal Election commission has indicated that an affiliated organization, the United Association Political Education Committee also made a contribution in the amount of \$5000.00. Because our contribution was made after the Education Committee contribution, we are deemed to have made a contribution in excess of the amount allowed by law.

We respectfully request that a refund be issued at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, you may contact our office.

Sincerely,

Matt J. Walters  
Treasurer

